

### State Senator

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### Valde Garcia

## Serving the 22<sup>nd</sup> District

Shiawassee-Livingston-Southern Ingham counties

## Legislative Update

BREAKING NEWS FROM SENATOR GARCIA'S OFFICE A Legislative Bulletin for Residents of the 22<sup>nd</sup> District

# Garcia's

### **BILL OF THE WEEK!**

### SB 808: Domestic Violence lease termination act

Senator Garcia introduced a bill this week that would require rental agreements to provide a clause allowing for early termination of the lease without penalty should a tenant become a victim of domestic violence.

In order for the tenant to lawfully terminate the contract the tenant must provide proof of domestic violence by either a police report reflecting violence, or a Personal Protection Order issued by the court.

Senate Bill 808 has been referred to Senate Judiciary committee.

## Numerous bills were introduced this week!

Should you wish to learn more about the proposed legislation, please visit <a href="www.michiganlegislature.org">www.michiganlegislature.org</a> and enter the bill number where indicated. The web-site will provide you with the bill's language as introduced and an analysis describing how the bill will affect area industry, the economy and consumers.

Senator Garcia is eager to learn how you feel about proposed legislation. He welcomes your responses via e-mail at <a href="mailto:senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov">senvgarcia@senate.michigan.gov</a>.



#### October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

For the fifth consecutive year, Senator Garcia along with district businesses are collecting used cellular devices to help victims of domestic violence.

Collected phones will then be sent to Donate -A - Phone, a division of the Wireless Foundation, where they will be reprogrammed so that they can only be used to contact emergency officials when in trouble.

All cellular phones will be accepted. They can be dropped off at the following locations:

Big K Mart, 2500 E. M-21, Corunna ~ A.R. Kramer Flooring, 751 S. Latson, Howell ~ Coastal Communications, 110 W. Grand River, Howell ~ Coastal Communications, 333 E. Grand River, Brighton ~ M-59 Mobil Gas Station, 10110 M-59, Hartland ~ Auto One/Hometown Wireless, 9981 E. Grand River, Brighton ~ Ace Hardware, 340 S. Cedar, Mason ~ Senator Garcia's office, S-132 Capitol Bldg., Capitol Ave, Lansing

The campaign will last through the holiday season. For more information regarding the collection, or if there is not a drop-off center near your home, please contact the Senator's office at (517) 373-2420.